

Subpart D—Competitive Bidding Procedures for the 2305–2320 MHz and 2345–2360 MHz Bands

§ 27.201 WCS in the 2305–2320 MHz and 2345–2360 MHz bands subject to competitive bidding.

Mutually exclusive initial applications for WCS licenses in the 2305–2320 MHz and 2345–2360 MHz bands are subject to competitive bidding. The general competitive bidding procedures set forth in part 1, subpart Q of this chapter will apply unless otherwise provided in this subpart.

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§§ 27.202–27.208 [Reserved]

§ 27.209 Designated entities; bidding credits; unjust enrichment.

(a) Designated entities entitled to preferences in the WCS in the 2305–2320 and 2345–2360 bands auction are small businesses and very small businesses as defined in § 27.110(b). Designated entities will be eligible for bidding credits, as defined in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section.

(b) A winning bidder that qualifies as a *small business* may use a bidding credit of 25 percent to lower the cost of its winning bid.

(c) A winning bidder that qualifies as a *very small business* may use a bidding credit of 35 percent to lower the cost of its winning bid.

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§ 27.210 Definitions

(a) *Scope.* The definitions in this section apply to § 27.209, unless otherwise specified in those sections.

(b) *Small Business; Very Small Business; Consortia.*

(1) A *small business* is an entity that, together with its affiliates and controlling principals, has average annual gross revenues that are not more than \$40 million for the preceding three years.

(2) A *very small business* is an entity that, together with its affiliates and controlling principals, has average annual gross revenues that are not more

than \$15 million for the preceding three years.

(3) For purposes of paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) of this section, the personal net worth of an applicant and its affiliates is not included in the applicant's gross revenues.

(4) A consortium of small businesses (or a consortium of very small businesses) is a conglomerate organization formed as a joint venture between or among mutually independent business firms, each of which individually satisfies the definition in paragraph (b)(1) of this section or each of which satisfies the definition in paragraph (b)(2) of this section. Where an applicant (or licensee) is a consortium of small businesses, the gross revenues of each small business shall not be aggregated.

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Subpart E—Application, Licensing, and Processing Rules for WCS

§ 27.301 [Reserved]

§ 27.302 Eligibility.

(a) General. Authorizations will be granted upon proper application if:

(1) The applicant is qualified under the applicable laws and the regulations, policies and decisions issued under those laws, including § 27.12;

(2) There are frequencies available to provide satisfactory service; and

(3) The public interest, convenience or necessity would be served by a grant.

(b) Alien Ownership. A WCS authorization may not be granted to or held by an entity not meeting the requirements of section 310 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. section 310 insofar as applicable to the particular service in question.

§ 27.303 Upper 700 MHz commercial and public safety coordination zone.

(a) *General.* CMRS operators are required, prior to commencing operations on fixed or base station transmitters on the 777–792 MHz band that are located within 500 meters of existing or planned public safety base station receivers, to submit a description of their proposed facility to a Commission-approved public safety coordinator.